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SUBJECT: PDRY: STRAWS IN THE WIND?

1. AHMED ABDO SAID INSISTS HIS VISIT TO ADEN IS ONLY TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC MATTERS. HE IS, IN FACT, ON ONE OF NORTH SOUGH COMMITTEES WHICH IS SUPPOSED TO DEAL WITH ECONOMIC ISSUES OF UNITY, AND POSSIBILITIES OF DISCUSSIONS EXIST IN MATTER OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION, TRANSIT OF GOODS AND PERSONS, BANKING LINKS. HOWEVER, HE IS NOT RPT NOT CHAIRMAN OF ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, HAS NEVER GONE TO ADEN BEFORE, IS ONE OF LONGEST AND MOST OUTSPOKEN CRITICS OF REGIME IN SOUTH AND, IN THE PAST, REIGHTLY FEARED ASSASSINATION. THIS TIME, HOWEVER, HE SEEMS CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL BE SAFE IN DEN OF LION.

2. IRANIAN AMBASSADOR IN SANA TOLD ME TODAY THAT SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO PDRY ALEXANDER SAMIOSHKIN HAS DEPARTED ADEN FOR GOOD AFTER ABBREVIATED STAY. (WE THINK HE ARRIVEDMRN OCT 74.) STORY RUNS THAT HE DISAGREED SO OFTEN AND SO HEATEDLY WITH PDRY THAT THEY SOUGHT HIS REMOVAL.

3. COMMENT: AHMED ABDO SAID MAY BE GOING TO DISCUSS ONLY ECONOMIC AFFIARS. TRIP MAY BE MERLY ATMOSPHERICS,

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WORKED UP BY PDRY REGIME WHICH IS UNWILLING TO MAKE ANY REAL

CHANGES. AS FOR SOVIET AMBASSADOR, I CANNOT CONFIRM THE CAUSE
OF HIS DEPARTURE BUT HE HAS IN FACT DEPARTED AFTER RELATIVELY
BRIEF STAY IN ADEN. STORY IS ANOTHER STRAW IN WIND WHICH,
THESE DAYS, SEEMS TO BLOW PERSISTENTLY FROM NEW AND
UNEXPECTED QUARTER.
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